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RENA KITAHARA

BIRTHDAY 31ST DECEMBER, BORN ON NEW YEAR'S EVE
BLOOD TYPE A
HEIGHT 165CM
FAVOURITE FOOD CAKE
INVENTION MOST THANKFUL FOR HAIRDRYER
HOBBIES
SHOPPING
SECRET HOBBY BAKING

!!?
WHAT ARE THEY TALKING ABOUT?
WHO DOES ORIKA LIKE?
EH? WHAT'S GOING ON?
WHY ARE THERE SO MANY PEOPLE!
ORIKA?
I AM SO SORRY, TO DISTURB YOUR WORK
CAMERA
CAMERAMAN
OH RIGHT
THEY ARE IN THE MIDDLE OF A SHOOT
EQUIPMENT
I HAVE SOMETHING TO TELL YOU,
CAN YOU FIND SOME TIME?
WITH SO MANY PEOPLE AROUND, I CAN'T SAY IT
WHY ARE YOU SO POLITE, ALL OF A SUDDEN

OF COURSE IT WILL BE ALL RIGHT
SUDDENLY
THEN I LL DECIDE ON THE DATE LATER
YEAH

ORIKA, LET'S GO TOGETHER
OKAY
THEN,
IT'S ALSO ABOUT TIME FOR ME TO GO
YES
REALLY
WE ARE RIVALS THEN
MIKA, I
YOU WERE ABOUT TO SAY
[I LIKE KANA] RIGHT?

AND AS FOR ME,
I WOULDN'T WANT TO BE GIVEN THE ADVANTAGE, JUST BECAUSE WE ARE FRIENDS.
SO LET'S WORK HARD TOGETHER.
ORIKA LIKES HIM TOO. THIS VERIFIES MY TASTE
IT'S NOT IMPOSSIBLE, SINCE KANA IS TOO HANDSOME
HE HE
DON'T HAVE THAT EXPRESSION
BYE BYE!
THEN I'LL BE GOING THAT WAY
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THE 25TH SELECTION FOR HEAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE SELECTIONS
HERE, THIS
PRESI -DENT NIKI!
WHAT IS THIS?
IT'S THE LIST OF THINGS TO NOTE FOR THIS YEAR
I AM JUST TOO
STUPID

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簽名會 in 台灣

2007年8月，我在台灣舉辦了簽名會呢！這場簽名會跟日本不一樣的地方，就是要站上一個像是舞台的地方簽名呢。
因為我是個從來沒有受過訪歷多人注目的人，所以一看到要站上舞台時，感有點不知所措呢。

不過！台灣的讀者們都非常地開朗！簽名會開始後，很溫柔地跟我打招呼，說些鼓勵我的話，也就化解了我大部分的緊張。

我還收到了許多的禮物以及讀者自己的創作的插圖喔。大家的插圖都畫得很棒，讓我大吃一驚呢。

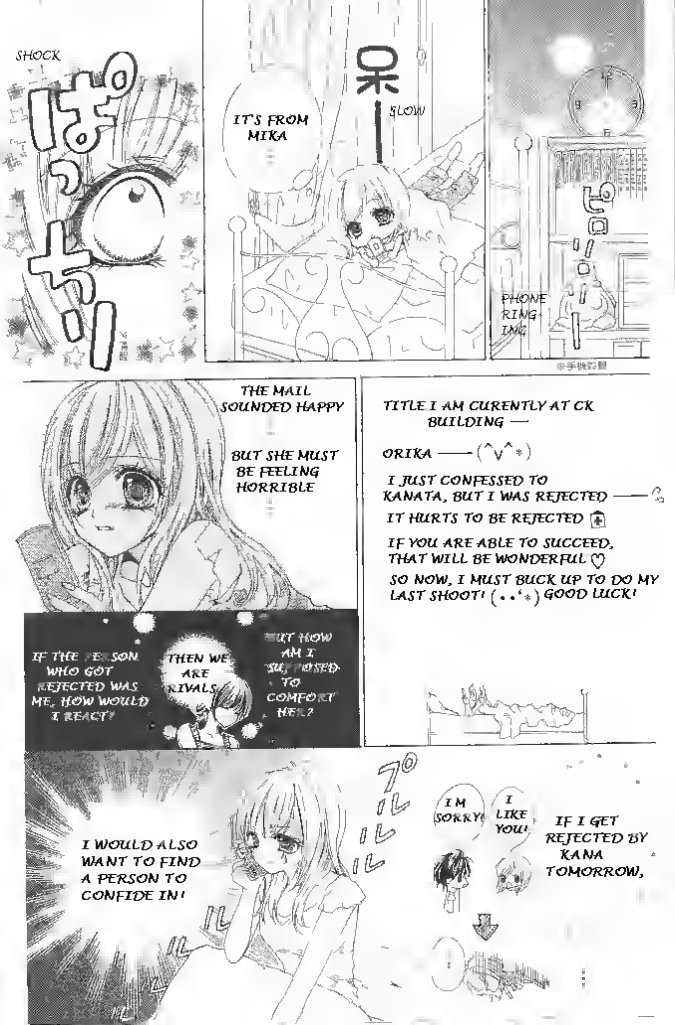
各位台灣的讀者們，謝謝大家給了我很愛很棒的回憶！

IT SEEMS THAT ORIKA, YOU CLEARLY KNOW WHICH ANGLE YOU LOOK BEST IN.
REALLY?
THE PICTURES TAKEN DURING THE SHOOT,
WILL AFFECT THE JUDGES' DECISION
THIS WAS WHAT I LEARNT LAST YEAR.
LAST YEAR, BECAUSE MY PICTURES WERE TOO HORRIBLE...
THAT'S WHY EVERYONE DID NOT REALLY WANT TO INTERVIEW ME

HE HE
I SEE,
YOU HAVE PUT A LOT OF EFFORT INTO THIS
ONE YEAR'S WORTH
FURTHERMORE, I AM NOT REALLY CONFIDENT IN MY APPEARANCE.
FROM LAST YEAR
EVEN BY A LITTLE, I WISH TO ACCENTUATE AND BEAUTIFY MY FIGURE, SO I COMPILED PHOTOGRAPHS WITH ALL THE POSTURES I COULD FIND
SECOND INTERVIEW
THIS IS BECAUSE BOTH MOTHER AND MITO, HAVE BEEN HEAL'S SPOKES-PERSON.
SO I MUST GET SELECTED THIS YEAR ... !!
TO BE ABLE TO GET SELECTED, I HAVE WORKED HARD UNTIL NOW.

TITLE KANA♪
YOU HAVE WORKED HARD!
I HAVE PASSED THE SECOND INTERVIEW (*^▽^*)♪
TOMORROW IS THE LAST INTERVIEW ☆☆☆
RING RING RING
ORIKA? IT'S A MAIL
AFTER TOMORROW'S INTERVIEW, CAN I MEET UP WITH YOU??
↓↓THIS PHOTO IS FROM TODAY'S FREE SLOT, HELPED ME TO STYLE MY HAIR!
PUU
YOU ARE SO BIASED
BEEP
YEAH! CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR SUCCESS,AND ALSO, YOUR HAIR REALLY HAS THE ROCK FEEL
BUT SO TO SPEAK, YOU HAVE BEEN PREPARING FOR THIS SELECTION SINCE LAST YEAR
DO YOUR BEST TOMORROW! I WILL KEEPMY AFTERNOON FREE TOMORROW
END

KANATA,
YOU HAVE NEVER SENT MESSAGES OF LOVE TO ME BEFORE
NAGAI!
IT'S NOT LIKE THAT
IT'S JUST THAT I'M NOT REALLY USED TO SENDING MAILS
BUT YOU SENT A MAIL TO ORIKA
AND AN ESPECIALLY LONG ONE AT THAT
TOMOR-ROW
ARE YOU MEETING HER?
YES
I
I ALSO
LIKE KANATA!


SHOCK
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SLOW
IT'S FROM MIKA
PHONE RING! RING
THE MAIL SOUNDED HAPPY
BUT SHE MUST BE FEELING HORRIBLE
IF THE PERSON WHO GOT REJECTED WAS ME, HOW WOULD I REACT?
THEN WE ARE RIVALS
BUT HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO COMFORT HER?
TITLE I AM CURENTLY AT CK BUILDING —
ORIKA —— (^v^*)
I JUST CONFESSED TO KANATA, BUT I WAS REJECTED ——
IT HURTS TO BE REJECTED
IF YOU ARE ABLE TO SUCCEED, THAT WILL BE WONDERFUL
SO NOW, I MUST BUCK UP TO DO MY LAST SHOOT! (..'*) GOOD LUCK!
I WOULD ALSO WANT TO FIND A PERSON TO CONFIDE IN!
I'M SORRY!
I LIKE YOU!
IF I GET REJECTED BY KANA TOMORROW,

IF YOU WANT TO RELEASE YOUR EMOTIONS,
MIKA, I SAW YOUR MAIL
I WILL BE AVAILABLE ANYTIME
YEAP. THAT'S ALL
I WOULD ALSO WANT TO TELL YOU MY INNER FEELINGS
IF I GOT REJECTED,
I AM MIKA
I AM
IT'S VOICEMAIL
I AM CURRENTLY UNABLE TO ANSWER YOUR CALL. PLEASE LEAVE A MESSAGE
BEEP
MIKA, SHE
THAT GUY OVER THERE IS
I'LL GO BACK EARLIER TODAY
ALTHOUGH IT'S ALREADY 10PM
YOU'VE ALL WORKED HARD
THANK YOU
SHOULD BE ALL RIGHT
SORRY TO BOTHER YOU

WITH A BUNCH OF MALE MODELS,
THE SELECTIONS THAT TESTED OUR ACTING SKILLS
THE ONE THAT ORIKA GOT CHOSEN
OH THAT
I AM NAGAI, WHO WAS ONE OF THE PARTNERS IN THE SELECTION THAT TIME
YOU ARE?
YES
STRAIGHT TO THE TOPIC
YOU LIKE ORIKA,RIGHT?
WHY ARE YOU LOOKING AT ME?
WILL BE CONFESSING TO SOMEONE TOMORROW
YOU SHOULD AT LEAST BE A LITTLE EMBARRASSED
UM, ORIKA SHE

カチ
LOCKS
WHY IS THE DOOR OF THIS ROOM STILL OPEN
MIKA NOW...
THEN I SHOULDN'T THINK TOO MUCH
MAYBE SHE JUST DOESN'T WANT TO TALK TO ANYONE
MIKA HASN'T REPLIED TO MY MAIL
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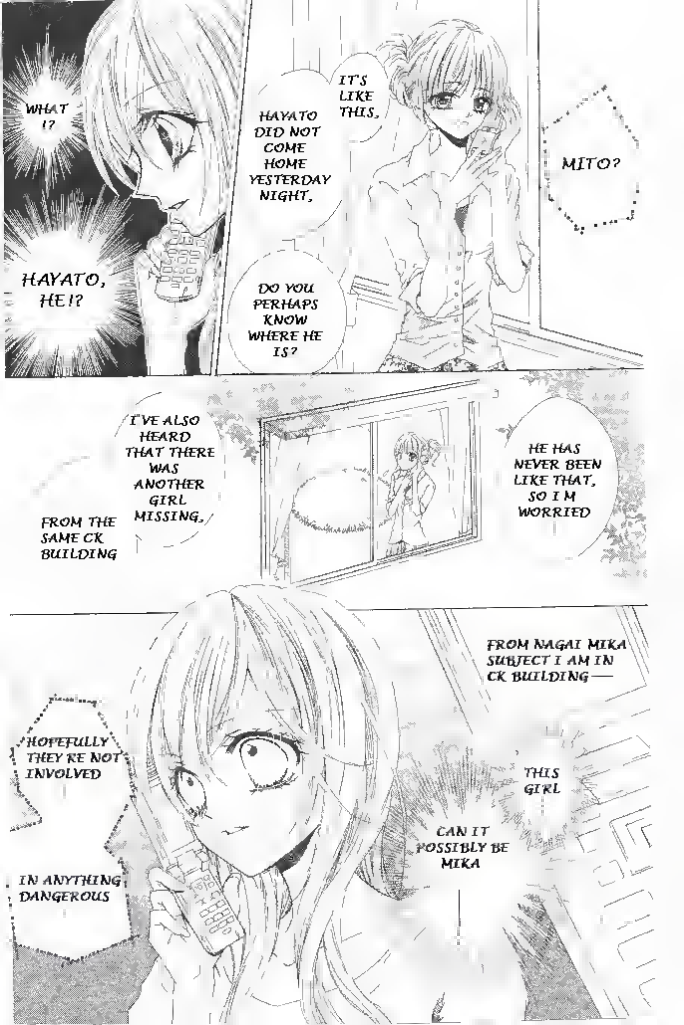
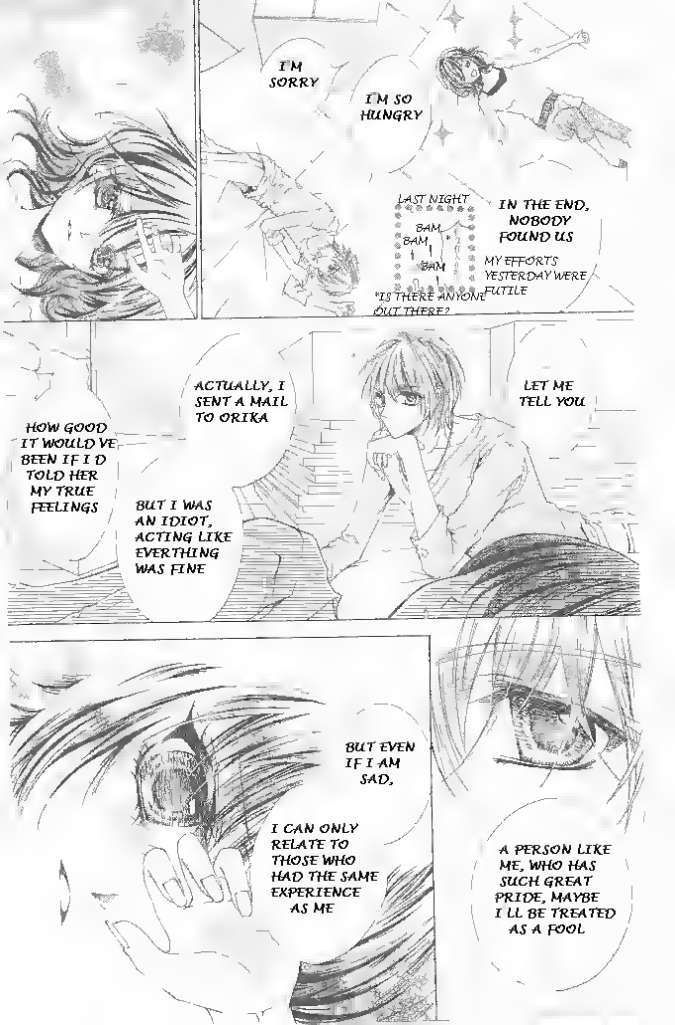
EH?
I'VE ALREADY CONFESSED TO HER
IF YOU DO NOT WANT TO REGRET IT IN THE FUTURE, I IMPLORE YOU TO LET HER KNOW OF YOUR FEELINGS SOON
I HAVE ALREADY TOLD HER
MAYBE YOU'LL THINK THAT I'M BEING NOSY,
WHAT IS SHE DOING
SO,
THE REASON YOU PULLED ME HERE IS

AH
REALLY ?
IT WAS JUST FOR THIS?
YES
EM SORRY TO HAVE HELD YOU UP
KACHA
EH?
THE DOOR
HAS IT BEEN
LOCKED
?
WHAT
!!

BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
HM
MIKA STILL HASN'T REPLIED
MIKA ALMOST ALWAYS REPLIES IMMEDIATELY TO MY MESSAGES
STRANGE
0 NEW MESSAGES
MAYBE IT'S JUST ME
IT'S MORNING
AND I JUST SLEPT LIKE THAT
ORIKA?
SORRY TO BOTHER YOU SO EARLY IN THE MORNING
HELLO


WHAT !?
HAYATO, HE!?
HAYATO DID NOT COME HOME YESTERDAY NIGHT,
IT'S LIKE THIS,
MITO?
DO YOU PERHAPS KNOW WHERE HE IS?
I'VE ALSO HEARD THAT THERE WAS ANOTHER GIRL MISSING,
FROM THE SAME CK BUILDING
HE HAS NEVER BEEN LIKE THAT, SO I M WORRIED
FROM NAGAI MIKA SUBJECT I AM IN CK BUILDING——
HOPEFULLY THEY RE NOT INVOLVED
IN ANYTHING DANGEROUS
THIS GIRL
CAN IT POSSIBLY BE MIKA

IF I DON'T LEAVE NOW, I'LL BE LATE
HEAL'S FINAL INTERVIEW STARTS AT 10
MITO, I'LL BE THERE SHORTLY
THANK YOU
ORIKA ——(×v×)
I JUST CONFESSED TO KANATA, BUT I WAS REJECTED——
IT HURTS TO BE REJECTED
BUT I
SIGH
IT'S ALREADY MORNING


I'M SORRY
I'M SO HUNGRY
LAST NIGHT
BAM
BAM
BAM
"IS THERE ANYONE OUT THERE?
IN THE END, NOBODY FOUND US
MY EFFORTS YESTERDAY WERE FUTILE
ACTUALLY, I SENT A MAIL TO ORIKA
LET ME TELL YOU
HOW GOOD IT WOULD'VE BEEN IF I'D TOLD HER MY TRUE FEELINGS
BUT I WAS AN IDIOT, ACTING LIKE EVERTHING WAS FINE
BUT EVEN IF I AM SAD,
I CAN ONLY RELATE TO THOSE WHO HAD THE SAME EXPERIENCE AS ME
A PERSON LIKE ME, WHO HAS SUCH GREAT PRIDE, MAYBE I'LL BE TREATED AS A FOOL

用具室
AND HAS COME ALL THIS WAY TO BECOME WHAT SHE IS NOW
ALL THIS I KNOW
FACES MANY CHALLENGES,
ALSO HAS MANY PROBLEMS,
ORIKA HERSELF,
HAVING ALL THE THINGS THAT I WANTED
WHEN I SEE HER,
I AM JUST BEING TOO NARROW-MINDED
OR MAYBE
AND THEN ?
用具室
PROPS ROOM
YOU CAN'T YOU BE A LITLE GENTLE AND CONSOLE ME?
WHO CARES ABOUT YOU, I WILL ALSO BE LOVELORN AFTER TODAY
I AM UNABLE TO HOLD IT IN
SO WHENEVER I M TOGETHER WITH HER, I FEEL SO PAINFUL.

ON THE OTHER HAND, WHAT FEELINGS DO WE HOLD THEN, IS ALSO UP TO US TO DECIDE
IT IS THEIR OWN CHOICE.
THE FEELINGS, BUT CONVEYED TO THE OTHER PARTY, WHETHER THEY ACCEPT OR NOT,
PROPS ROOM
YOU MEAN
THAT'S RIGHT
THEN I SHOULD WORK REALLY HARD

IS THE DOOR OPEN?
EH?
I DO NOT MEAN THAT! I MEAN I'M GOING TO WORK HARD TO PASS THIS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT MOMENT OF MY LIFE!
WHY ARE YOU STILL NOT GIVING UP
PESTERING?
WHY DID I NOT NOTICE IT?
MAYBE I'M TOO FOCUSED ON MY OWN THINGS
ORIKA
ORIKA!
MIKA,
AND HAYATO,
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I HEAR THEIR HIDDEN FEELINGS

LET US BOTH WORK HARD
IN THE PAST,
IF ONLY THE OTHER PARTY HOLDS THE SAME FEELINGS AS ME
THEY HAVE SHOWN ME THE LOOK AS THOUGH NOTHING HAS HAPPENED
IN FRONT OF ME,
AH,
SO IT SEEMS,

AND AT THAT TIME, I DID NOT REALLY NOTICE IT, SO I THOUGHT EVERYTHING WAS ALL RIGHT
BUT MY FEELINGS TOWARDS KANA,
SHOULD HAVE ALREADY HURT THEIR GENTLE SELVES

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THEY ARE FINE
I HEARD THAT YOU HAD ALSO GOTTEN THE MESSAGE,
SOMEONE CALLED TO TELL ME THAT THOSE TWO ARE MISSING
KANA
WHY ARE YOU
BECAUSE THEY HAD BEEN LOCKED UP, I OPENED THE DOOR FOR THEM
SO I THOUGHT YOU WOULD COME RUNNING HERE
WHY ...
IF I COULD ONLY CONTROL MY FEELINGS,
THEN THEY WOULD NOT HAVE TO GET HURT
REALLY?
THAT'S GOOD.
BUT,
I ...
AM UNABLE TO DO SO

EVEN WHEN I JUST HEAR HIS VOICE, I FEEL SO HAPPY
WHEN I AM BESIDE KANA, I FEEL SO AT EASE
I AM JUST UNABLE TO PERSUADE MYSELF TO DO SO
IT'S AS IF NOTHING CAN BRING ME DOWN
AS LONG AS HE IS BEHIND ME TO PUSH ME FORWARD,
THEN,
HURRY UP
IT CAN ONLY BE KANA
TO ENABLE ME TO HAVE THIS TYPE OF FEELING,

ORIKA!
THE INTERVIEW ENDS HERE
THE RESULTS WILL BE POSTED AFTER A FEW DAYS
THANK YOU EVERYONE
I'M SO SORRY!!
MIKA!
HAYATO!
I SHOULD BE THE ONE
I ACCIDENTALLY OVERHEARD YOUR CONVERSATION
I AM REALLY SORRY
BECAUSE OF US
YOU WERE LATE FOR YOUR INTERVIEW
IT'S ALL I DID MAKE RIGHT, IT IN THE END!

EVEN IF ...
IF I LET MY WORDS HAVE MY WAY,
HER WILL GET HURT AGAIN.
AND WILL SHOW THAT EXPRESSION ONCE MORE.
EVEN IF I ...
YOU ARE GOING TO ABONDON YOUR FEELINGS FOR KANA?
YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE BEEN THINKING THAT,
ORIKA, YOU
SHOULDN'T HAVE THOUGHT OF GIVING UP, RIGHT?
I ...
BUT I WILL PROBABLY STILL HURT THEM
I HAVE TRIED SO HARD TO RESTRAIN MY FEELINGS,

CAN ONLY
APOLOGISE TO YOU TWO
BUT I
REALLY LIKE MIKA,
AND HAYATO
BECAUSE I REALLY LIKE KANA
WE KNOW

NOW IT'S YOUR TURN.
WE HAVE ALREADY SAID WHAT WE WANTED

THANK YOU!